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Imported books are marked with an asterisk; authors' and subscription books, or books published at net prices, with two asterisks; educational books published at "wholesale" prices, with a dagger.

Apocrypha, see Selections from.

Ballard, Harlan H. Words, and how to put them together. N. Y., Appleton, 1878. 83 p. T. cl., 40 c.

Beecher, Mrs. H. W. All around the house; or, how to make homes happy. N. Y., Appleton, 1878. 12 + 461 p. D. cl., \$1.50.

Bentzon, Th. Remorse: a novel; from the French. N. Y., Appleton, 1878. 216 p. S. (Coll. of for. authors, no. 13.) cl., 75 c.; pap., 50 c.

Bible. The holy Bible; with nearly 900 il. from authentic sources. N. Y., Cassell, Petter & Galpin. 7 + 1256 p. cr. 4° cl., \$5; leath., with 4 col. maps, \$8; mor., \$10; lev., \$12. [called the Teachers' Bible.]

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Bibliotheca Americana, see Sabin, Jos.

Birks, T. R., see Bible.

Bridgman, Laura D., see Lanison, Mary S.

Castlemon, Harry. The boy trapper. Phil., Porter & Coates, 1878. 306 p. il. S. (Boy trapper ser.) cl., \$1.25.

Chellis, Mary Dwinell. The brewery at Taylorville. N. Y., Nat. Temp. Soc. and Pub. H., 1879. 438 p. S. cl., \$1.50.

Chester, Sarah E. Handsome Harry. N. Y., Am. Tract Soc. [1878.] 294 p. il. S. cl., \$1.

Clarke, C. and Mary Cowden. Recollections of writers; with letters of C: Lamb, Leigh Hunt, Douglas Jerrold, and C: Dickens, and a preface by Mary Cowden Clarke. N. Y., C: Scribner's Sons, [1878.] 8 + 347 p. D. cl., \$1.75.

Dart, Mary. On the plains, and among the peaks; or, how Mrs. Maxwell made her natural history collection. Phil., Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger, 1879. 237 p. il. S. cl., \$1; pap., 50 c.

Dayton, Laura C. S. Essie: a romance in rhyme. N. Y., 1878. 32 p. sq. D. pap., 35 c. [Trade supplied by A: Brentano, jr., N. Y.]

H. H. Nelly's silver mine: a story of Colorado life. Bost., Roberts, 1878. 379 p. S. cl., \$1.50.

Hackländer, F. W. Behind blue glasses; tr. by Mary A. Robinson. N. Y., Harpers, 1878. 6-138 p. Tt. (Harper's half-hour ser., no. 80.) pap., 20 c.

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Hill, J: Woodroffe. The management and diseases of the dog. With 39 il. N. Y., Alb. Cogswell, 1878. 12 + 383 p. D. cl., \$2.

John-a-dreams: a tale. N. Y., Appleton, 1878. 234 p. S. (Appleton's new handy-vol. ser., no. 18.) pap., 30 c.

Kinsey, J. F. Golden shore: for Sunday-schools. Cin., F. W. Helmick. 107 p. 12° bds., 30 c.

Lanison, Mary S. Life and education of Laura Dewey Bridgman, the deaf, dumb, and blind girl. Bost., New England Pub. Co. 373 p. 16°. **\$2.

Matéaux, C. L. Odd folks at home. Il. [Talks about sea wonders.] N. Y., Cassell, Petter & Galpin. 192 p. 8° cl., \$2.25.

Miller, Joaquin. Songs of Italy. Bost., Roberts, 1878. 186 p. S. cl., \$1.25.

Peck, W. G. Elementary arithmetic, oral and written. N. Y., Barnes, [1878.] 232 p. S. (Davies & Peck's united course.) cl., 60 c.

Porter, Mrs. A. E. Cousin Polly's gold mine: a novel. N. Y., Harpers, 1878. 109 p. O. (Harper's lib. of Am. fiction, no. 10.) pap., 40 c.

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Sabin, Jos. A dictionary of books relating to America, from its discovery to the present time. Pts. 59-60: Literary to M'Clary. N. Y., J. Sabin & Sons, 1878. 181 p. O. (Bibliotheca Americana.) pap., **\$5.

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Story, W. W. Ode on the anniversary of the fifth half century of the landing of Gov. J: Endicott; delivered before the Essex institute, at Salem, Sept. 18, 1878. Salem, Mass., 1878. 29 p. sq. O. pap., 50 c. [Trade supplied by A: Brentano, jr., N. Y.]

Trollope, Frances Eleanor. Mrs. Jack: a tale. N. Y., Appleton, 1878. 130 p. S. (Appleton's new handy-vol. ser., no. 19.) pap., 20 c.

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Harper & Bros. :—Within the Precincts.—Auld Lang Syne.—At the Eleventh Hour.—The House of Achendaroch.—Under Which King?—Land Ahead.—The Queen of the Meadow.—The Public Life of the Earl of Beaconsfield.—The Garden at Monkholme.—By Ways.

J. B. Lippincott & Co. :—Lady's Holm.—They were Neighbors.—Eyes so Blue.—Will is the Cause of Woe.—George Hern.—By Ways.—The Garden at Monkholme.—Eliot the Younger.—The House of Achendaroch.—On Foot in Spain.—Arthur Jessieson.—Land Ahead.

Chas. Scribner's Sons :—Prince Bismarck's Letters, translated by Fitch Maxse (*per arrangement*).—Pillars of the Empire, by T. H. S. Escott.—Dante, an Essay by Dean Church.—Memoirs of Rev. Francis Hodgson, B.D., by his son, the Rev. James T. Hodgson.—Autobiography and Life of Charles J. Mathews, edited by Charles Dickens.—Bible Echoes in Ancient Classics, by Dr. C. J. Ro-mayn.

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Roberts Bros. :—Auld Lang Syne, by the author of "The Wreck of the Grosvenor."—Mary Wollstonecroft's Letters to Imlay.—The Dramatic List, comp. by C. E. Pascoe.

Henry Holt & Co. :—The Fairy-Land of Science.—Life and Letters of Balzac.—Life of Charles James Matthews.—Dictionary of the Anonymous and Pseudonymous Literature of Great Britain.—Rachel Olliver.—A Doubting Heart.—Arthur Jessieson.

OCTOBER 7.

T. B. Peterson & Bros. :—L'Aimee; or, A Friend.—Les Mariages de Philomene; or, Philomene's Marriages, by Henry Greville.—Helene, a Love Episode; or, Une Page d'Amour, by Emile Zola.

R. Worthington :—A History of Our Own Times, from the Accession of Queen Victoria to the Berlin Congress. By Justin McCarthy.

OCTOBER 10.

Estes & Lauriat :—The Earl of Beaconsfield, K.G. In upwards of one hundred cartoons from Mr. Punch. 1 vol. 8°. Tinted paper, 60 c.

Harper & Bros. :—A Chequered Life.—Once! Twice! Thrice! and Away!—Colonel Fongas' Mistake.—George Hun.—Rose and Josephine.

RECENT ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Bourne, J.—Examples of Steam, Air, and Gas. 4°. Longmans 70s.

Chambers, G. F.—Law relating to Rates and Rating. Roy. 8°. Stevens & Sons 12s.

Ferguson, F.—Popular Life of Christ. 8°. Hamilton. 10s. 6d.

Gay, J. D.—Plevna, the Sultan, and the Porte. Cr. 8°. Chatto & Windus 6s.

Gladstone, W. E., from *Judy's* Point of View, as shown in Cartoons. 4°. *Judy* Office 2s. 6d.

Helfer, Dr. and Mme.—Travels in Syria, Mesopotamia, Burmah, and other Lands. 2 vols. 8°. Bentley 21s.

Vedder, D.—Poems, Lyrics, and Sketches, with Essay on his Life by G. Gilfillan. Cr. 8°. Simpkin, Marshall & Co. 5s.

OBITUARY.

L. H. POWERS.

THE many friends of L. H. Powers, of the Powers Paper Co., will regret to hear of his sudden death on the 6th inst., at his home in Springfield, Mass. Mr. Powers was born in that city on January 18th, 1837. When 20 years old he went South and settled at Macon, Ga., and Chattanooga, Tenn., in the express business, and for a time was a travelling agent. He married at Knoxville, Tenn., and returned to his native city in 1860, associating with his brother in the news business. His career since that time is so well and so favorably known that we think it superfluous to dwell at length upon it.

JOURNALISTIC NOTES.

THE *Atlantic Monthly* for October has had to be reprinted to meet the demand for the remarkable paper on "Certain Dangerous Tendencies in American Life."

THE *Jeweller, Silversmith, and Watchmaker*, published by H. Lockwood, of this city, is superseded by *Art Industry*. The publisher states that it is his intention to make the new journal "take the position of a class publication, valuable alike to the business man, the manufacturer, the artist, and the artisan, combining features of technical interest with those of a business nature." It is a neatly gotten up quarto, with tinted cover, printed on good paper, and illustrated with new designs in jewelry, tapestry, and other arts. It is published monthly at \$2 per annum.

THE United States Official Postal Guide for October, just published by Houghton, Osgood & Co., contains, as usual, a vast amount of information indispensable to all who send anything by mail. It contains lists of all the post-offices in the United States, arranged alphabetically, and by States and counties with the geo-

graphical position of the counties indicated; a list of money-order offices, domestic and international, including Canada; a list of letter-carrier offices; suggestions to the public, and information about mailable matter; full directions about money orders and registered matter; rates of foreign and domestic postage on all classes of mail matter; hours of arrival and closing of mails in all the principal cities; time of sailing of mail steamers; and rulings of the Post Office Department during the last quarter.

BUSINESS NOTES.

PHILA., PA.—Mr. Louis Meyer, the music publisher, after a protracted illness of several months, during which his own business was necessarily neglected, has associated himself with F. A. North & Co., 1308 Chestnut Street, who will hereafter have for sale the more valuable and popular copyrights heretofore published by Mr. Meyer.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CAN.—Messrs. Parsons & Richardson, for a number of years past salesmen for James Campbell & Son, of Toronto, have established a book and stationery business at the above place, and are desirous of receiving the latest catalogues of publishers and manufacturing stationers.

CATALOGUES RECEIVED.

From **H. D. Chapin**, corner Madison and Dearborn Streets, Chicago: Chapin's Book-Collector's Guide (monthly). 16°, pp. 62, pap. *Sent free.*

From **Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.**, Cincinnati and N. Y.: Descriptive Catalogue and Special Price-List of the Eclectic Educational Series. 12°, pp. 48, pap.

From **David G. Francis**, New York: A Catalogue of Ancient and Modern Books, new and second-hand. Sept., 1878. No. 49. 12°, pp. 32, pap.

From **Maxwell & Co.**, booksellers and stationers, Bloomington, Ill.: Miscellaneous and juvenile books. Nov. 12°, pp. 110, pap.

The Publishers' Weekly.

OCTOBER 12, 1878.

PUBLISHERS are requested to furnish title-page proofs and advance information of books forthcoming, both for entry in the lists and for descriptive mention. An early copy of each book published should be forwarded, to insure correctness in the final entry.

The trade are invited to send "Communications" to the editor on any topic of interest to the trade, and as to which an interchange of opinion is desirable. Also, matter for "Notes and Queries." Notes from librarians will also be gratefully received.

In case of business changes, notification or card should be immediately sent to this office for entry under "Business Notes." New catalogues issued will also be mentioned when forwarded.

"Every man is a debtor to his profession, from the which, as men do of course seek to receive countenance and profit, so ought they of duty to endeavor themselves by way of amends to be a help thereunto."—LORD BACON.

THE AMERICAN CATALOGUE.

It is with no little gratification, after delays unavoidable but none the less distressing, that we announce the actual publication of the first part of the "American Catalogue." This comprises one fourth of the alphabet of the main (first: author and title entries) volume, from A to Edwards. The other parts, of which the compilation is entirely finished, will be issued as promptly as the time required for accurate proof-reading and careful printing will permit, at intervals of about three months, so that the main volume will be completed within the year. The subject volume will be published, probably as a volume, as soon as the classification of titles from the first volume can be completed. This will probably be followed at once by the first five-yearly supplement, including all omissions, corrections, changes of publisher, etc., in the main work, with the new publications of 1876-80, arranged by author, title, and subject. The yearly lists in the "Trade-List Annual" will meanwhile give the current entries of each year. Thus the foundation is at last laid for a permanent system of American trade bibliography which will, we trust, compare favorably with that of any other country.

The history of the present enterprise dates from 1873, although long before that a desire to undertake some such work, and vague plans for its execution, had been conceived by its present publisher. This was the year of the first publication of the "Trade-List Annual," the prospectus of which called out from Mr. Robert Clarke a protest against it as a makeshift which would interfere seriously with the early accomplishment of a general Finding List of American books, which he, with others, considered the prime necessity of the trade. An appeal

was made to the trade to test whether there were any actual basis for such an undertaking, but it met with no response from the leading houses, and the present publisher expressed his hopelessness that the work could be entered upon with any justification. The question was much discussed, however, by the trade, and at the end of 1873 about \$2700 had been subscribed as a guarantee fund. By March, 1874, this had reached \$7500, half the amount considered necessary. Here the subscription rested. It was finally decided to take the chances on this basis, and after considerable discussion and experimenting, the staff for the actual work of compilation was completed in March, 1876. This has been throughout under the direct charge of Mr. L. E. Jones, to whose organization and management of the work its satisfactory accomplishment is in great part due.

The compilation has proceeded amid many discouragements. In the estimates both of cost and of time, it was supposed that a year would be ample for the completion of the first volume. Not a day, it may almost be said, has been lost since March, 1876, and yet only this first part is printed. Publishers' catalogues were first collected, and the imperfect information given in these was sought to be completed by direct correspondence. This has been the chief cause of the delay. Many publishers did not respond at all even to the third request, made by registered letter of whose receipt we hold proof. A list was made of all in this country who could be supposed to be publishers of books, and this was carefully verified, by direct correspondence, until it was reduced to the 900 publishers actually represented in the Catalogue. Where no information could be obtained directly, the best sources available have been used, even to the search among the records at Washington.

The part of the Catalogue now published may best speak for it. It will be seen that it brings into juxtaposition for the first time the works and editions of authors whose books were previously to be found only by a long hunt through many publishers' or library catalogues. Probably no family has been so prolific as that of Jacob and J. S. C. Abbott and their sons. Jacob, in fact, leads all American authors in actual work, no less than 170 individual works, divided among seven publishers, being credited to his name, besides 32 jointly with his brother; J. S. C. has 27 of his own; and of the sons, Lyman, editor of the *Christian Union*, has 6; Edward, editor of the *Literary World*, 4; and Austin and B. V., the editors of legal digests, 14 works, in 84 volumes. T. S. Arthur, the temperance writer, counts just 100. William T. Adams ("Oliver Optic") has 82, of which all

but one, however, are on the catalogue of one house. A Sunday-school writer little known by her real name of Mrs. H. N. W. Baker, but better as "Aunt Hattie" and "Mrs. Madeleine Leslie," leads all in actual number of volumes, 206, but as many of these are tiny 32mos, it represents a less amount of actual work. There are 55 Browns entered as authors, of whom six are simple Johns, distinguished by place. But there are two John Browns of Edinburgh, the M.D. and the D.D. Alice seems to be the favorite name in fiction, 57 titles beginning with that word. Over 60 editions or adaptations of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" are entered, with translations in eight languages, and over 50 of De Foe's "Robinson Crusoe." Of Dickens' works, there are no less than 24 editions, besides those of his individual books. Some careful work has been done under Dumas, whose individual works are presented by different publishers under a most remarkable masquerade of altered titles and combinations. These examples will illustrate the practical value of the Catalogue.

And now that the work is thus far actually at the service of the trade, it seems not unfair to remind those who are alive to trade interests that this work was begun, and has been carried through, at the urgent demands of the trade, as the one help most needed by it. The letters and discussions of 1873 are lavish in assurances that if the work were once undertaken the trade would support it and pay its cost. The publisher, chagrined at the delay of the work, necessary though it was, has avoided further appeals to the trade since the original guarantee subscription of \$7500, and has preferred to fight out the battle as best he could until there should be evidence of the performance of his promises. That amount, it was soon seen, would not cover half the sum which the Catalogue will finally have cost; and though within the past few weeks further subscriptions have begun to come in, it is vitally necessary that the trade should give their very best help to bring the returns up to the necessary outlay. That help should be given now, when the publisher is making his manufacturing estimates for the edition. It is not now a question of profit, but of dollar for dollar, and unless friends of the enterprise, by immediate efforts among houses who have not yet subscribed, among libraries and learned societies, and with private buyers who can afford such a work, come forward to its support, the publisher must accept the conclusion that his service to the trade must be to his own loss. But he has already reason to be grateful to a few friends in the trade who, since the recent issue of the *prospectus* with sample pages, have volunteered to

take upon themselves the work of a direct canvass of the trade, etc., in their localities. Such friendliness gives him reason to hope that the "American Catalogue" may be of appreciated usefulness to the trade, and that he shall not be obliged to regret its undertaking.

THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

WE are glad to learn from M. Terquem that the Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris, the government library, has ordered nearly half the books exhibited by American publishers at Paris, and that, with other minor orders, but a small proportion of the books sent will be returned to this country.

Hon. J. D. Philbrick, who has charge of the American Educational Exhibit, has issued a circular stating that requests have been made by the educational commissioners of various countries for such portions of the articles comprising this exhibit as can be spared by their owners, to be placed in the pedagogical libraries and museums which have been established by their respective governments. He expresses the hope that the greater part of the materials of the Exhibition will be given for these purposes, and especially the books and the scholars' work, adding that, in his judgment, France has the first claim for these gifts, Japan and England coming next in order. Doubtless this request will be generally honored, as it should be.

The Exposition will remain open till November 20th, but exhibitors have the option of withdrawing their goods after October 31st. Mr. Terquem wishes it to be stated that, in accordance with the wish of many American publishers, the Book Exhibit is not opened on Sundays.

The distribution of awards will take place October 21st, and the *official* promulgation of awards will not be made until that date. We have received a complete list in the three departments in which publishers are interested, education, books and printing, and geography, from reliable unofficial sources, and as it is much more satisfactory than the previous *data*, we give it in full:

CLASSES 6, 7, 8.—EDUCATION.

Diploma of Honor.

State Departments of Public Instruction of Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island.

Boston, St. Louis, Washington, Milwaukee, Public Schools.

Gold Medal.

Barnard, Henry, Hartford.

Boston Public Library, Boston.

Boston University.

Bureau of Michigan.

Guyot, Arnold (author).

Hamilton Normal and Agricultural Institution, Hampton, Va.

Harper & Brothers.

McCormick, R. C. (honorable collaborator).

Naval Academy.

Peabody Foundation.

Swinton, Wm. (author).

Silver Medal.

D. Appleton & Co.
 A. S. Barnes & Co.
 Bay State Rake Co., Winchendon, Mass.
 Bell, Alexander Graham, Boston.
 Cowperthwait & Co., Philadelphia.
 Lea, Henry C.
 Leigh, Edwin, Brooklyn.
 Lincoln, D. F., Boston.
 Louisville School for Blind.
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.
 Mason, L. W., Boston.
 Phelps, W. T. (as colaborator).
 Ritchie, E. S. & Co., Boston.
 Smith, W.
 Thompson, Brown & Co., "
 Trisson & Mickmann, "
 Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., Cincinnati.
 Wickersham, J. P. (colaborator).

Bronze Medal.

American Metric Bureau, Boston.
 Anderson (author).
 Andrews, A. H. & Co., Chicago.
 Bicknell, T. W., Boston.
 Boston University.
 Clark & Maynard, New York.
 Edgerton, N. H., Philadelphia.
 Ginn & Heath, Boston.
 Johnson, A. J., New York.
 J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.
 Munroe, L. B., Boston.
 Rome, Georgia, French College.
 Sadlier, W. H., New York.
 Scribner, Armstrong & Co., New York.
 Sower, Potts & Co., Philadelphia.
 Steiger, E., New York.
 Van Nostrand, D., New York.
 Zell (T. Ellwood), Davis & Co., New York.

Honorable Mention.

Adams, Blackmer & Lyon Publishing Co.,
 Chicago.
 Brewster & Knowlton, Boston.
 Butler, T. H. & Co., Philadelphia.
 Davis, R. S. & Co., Boston.
 Eldredge & Brother, Philadelphia.
 Gaines, S. M., Cambridge, Mass.
 Henkle, W. D., Salem, Ohio.
 Higginson, T. W., Newport, R. I.
 Jaslin, Gilman, Boston.
 Lee & Shepard, "
 Sheldon & Co., New York.
 Winchell, S. R., Chicago.

CLASS 9.—BOOKS AND PRINTING.

Diploma of Honor.

U. S. Treasury Department, Washington.

Gold Medal.

Appleton, D. & Co., New York.
 Lippincott, J. B. & Co., Philadelphia.
 Houghton, H. O. & Co. (the Riverside Press),
 Cambridge.
 Prang, L. & Co., Boston.

Silver Medal.

Bien, Julius, New York.
 Casilear (colaborator), New York.
 Harper & Brothers, "
 Houghton, Osgood & Co., Boston.
 Knight, Edward H., Ohio.
 Scribner, Armstrong & Co., New York.
 Williams, David, New York.

Bronze Medal.

American Printing House for the Blind.
 Barnes, A. S. & Co., N. Y.
 Gebbie & Barrie, Philadelphia.
 Holt (Henry) & Co., New York.
 Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., New York.
 Perkins Institution and Manchester Asylum for
 the Blind, Boston.
 PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY, New York.
 Sabin, J. & Sons, New York.
 Scholl, B., Chicago.
 Scribner & Co., New York.
 Steiger, E., New York.
 Wiley, John & Sons, New York.
 Zell (T. Ellwood), Davis & Co., New York.

Honorable Mention.

American Bookseller, New York.
 Asher & Adams, "
 Boericke & Tafel, "
 Brewer's Journal, "
 Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger, Philadelphia.
 Knias, W. B., Philadelphia.
 Lassalle, Ch. & Co., New York.
 Lothrop, D. & Co., Boston.
 Lockwood, Howard, New York.
 Norton, C. B., New York.
 Sibole, J. L. & Co., Philadelphia.
 University Publishing Co., New York.

CLASS 16.—GEOGRAPHY.

Diploma of Honor.

U. S. Geographical Board.

Silver Medal.

Bien, Julius, New York.

Bronze Medal.

Asher & Adams, New York.

Honorable Mention.

Steiger, E., New York.
 Perris & Browne, New York.

THE POSTAL CONFERENCE.

THE postal conference opened at Room No. 1, New York Post Office, shortly after 11 A.M. Wednesday, about fifty gentlemen being present from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and elsewhere. Among book publishers present were Messrs. J. W. Harper, Jr., H. O. Houghton, A. C. Barnes, H. E. Simmons, and the periodical press was largely represented. Judge Bissell and others represented the department, and the postmasters of New York and Philadelphia were both present. The meeting was called to order by Mr. J. W. Harper, Jr., on behalf of the signers of the call, who said that the conference had been brought together, by the courtesy of the department, to discuss the pending postal bill, and to instruct the representatives at Washington as to what was wanted by the people. Mr. Elwood E. Thorne, representing the New York Board of Trade, was elected permanent chairman, and Mr. H. E. Simmons secretary. Committees were appointed as follows:

On Credentials and Organization—W. H. C. Price, of New York; A. E. Orr, of New York; and Charles Hutchins, of Boston. On Business—H. E. Simmons, of New York; Patrick Farrelly, of New York; W. E. Sheldon, of

Boston; A. L. Snowden, of Philadelphia; and W. B. Judson, of Chicago. On Resolutions—H. O. Houghton, of Boston; T. W. Bicknell, of Boston; A. H. Byington, of Norwalk; R. R. Bowker, of New York; Elwood E. Thorne, of New York; and E. L. Joy, of Newark, N. J., to which Mr. J. W. Harper, Jr., was added.

The proceedings were opened by a paper from Mr. F. W. Bicknell, of Boston, in explanation and advocacy of the registration system. Mr. S. S. Wood followed, arguing against the proposed system and insisting that even purely advertising journals should be admitted to bulk rates. Mr. Sinclair Tousey was entirely opposed to the system of registration; he advocated fast mails, at a somewhat higher rate for their use, and payment to the railroad companies by actual weight. Mr. H. C. Price said the whole question was whether the Post Office should be turned into a vast transportation company.

The discussions on registration, the disposition of insufficiently prepaid first-class matter, the rate on newspapers at carrier offices, and the proper functions of the postal service, were continued through Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning, when the Committee on Resolutions presented a report strongly favoring the general purpose of the bill. These resolutions promised to provoke so much debate that it was decided to continue the Conference through Thursday afternoon, and we shall defer to next week further account of the discussions and the result.

BOOK NOTICES.

THE CERAMIC ART, by Jennie J. Young. (Harpers.) The author offers this work as "a compendium of the history and manufacture of pottery and porcelain." Her object in writing it "has been to answer as tersely and lucidly as possible the more important questions in connection with the history and manufacture of pottery and porcelain, and to bring the results of recent research to bear upon some of the unsolved problems of the 'science of ceramics.'" A very interesting introduction speaks of the advantages of the study, the lost origin of the art, the legends of China, Japan, Egypt, and Greece, how pottery illustrates history, its bearings upon religion, etc., etc. The volume is then divided into books, the first one being devoted to nomenclature and methods, the second to the pottery of the Orient—Egypt, Assyria and Babylonia, Judæa, India and Central Asia, China, Corea, Japan, Persia. The third book, "Europe," opens with a chapter on the fountains of European art, then gives a history of the ceramics of Greece, Italy, France, Germany and Central Europe, Russia, Denmark, Scandinavia, Great Britain and Ireland. The fourth book is of special interest and rich in new information, going into detail about the ceramics of Central and South America, the Mound-Builders, Indian pottery, and the pottery of the United States. The index is very complete and very useful. The volume typographically is a very elegant one. It is most beautifully printed on fine tinted paper, and contains 464 illustrations of specimens of pottery taken from the most celebrated collections of this country and Europe. The binding is of unique design, hav-

ing a most graceful stamp on the covers in green, scarlet, and gold. Q., cloth, \$5.

THE HEIR OF CHARLTON, by May Agnes Fleming. (Carleton.) The heir of Charlton, Captain Richard Ffrench, is desired by his step-father, who has made him his heir, to marry. Much to his disgust, three equally charming young ladies of the family of Charlton are invited to Charlton, that the Captain may make a choice and at the same time keep the inheritance in the family. One of the young ladies he objects to at sight; the second he is finally persuaded to offer himself to and is rejected by her; while the third, a mere child, who becomes attached to him in a girlish way, and whom he fancies as a small girl, he is led unintentionally to compromise, and is asked by her sister to marry her as the only reparation he can make her good name. This marriage and the events which spring from it take up the greater part of the story. The girl discovers she has been forced upon Captain Ffrench, and a separation of six years follows by mutual consent. Husband and wife meet again in London, and after many romantic episodes are reunited. There are numerous others characters, and other events quite tragical in their nature, which add to the interest of the story. The plot is an illogical one and does not hang together very well; still the book will find many readers and admirers in spite of this, being of the popular kind. D., cloth, \$1.50.

THE LITTLE GOOD-FOR-NOTHING, by Alphonse Daudet, translated by Mary Neal Sherwood. (Estes & Lauriat.) This little hero is a weak, selfish fellow who scarcely deserves the happiness that finally falls to him. He tells his own story in a simple, ingenuous manner that wins the reader's sympathies and proves what a master of his art Daudet is. The style is different from any previous work we have had from his pen, but the character-sketching is just as bold and graphic, and equally admirable. The "little good-for-nothing" is the son of rich people who become poor. The boy is thrown upon his own resources, and tries several professions in succession. He finally gets to Paris, where an elder brother is secretary to a marquis. He shares his brother's room and purse, and publishes very poor verses at his brother's expense. He deserts a good girl that loves him, and runs off with an unprincipled coquette. Together they join a theatrical company and give the world some very poor acting. The "good-for-nothing" is rescued by the brother he has deceived, who dies just as he succeeds in having the worthless "good-for-nothing" restored to respectable society, where he marries the good girl he had deserted and lives happy forever afterwards. The moral is evident. D., cloth, \$1.50.

CYPRUS, adapted from the German of Franz von Löher, with much additional matter by Mrs. A. Batson Joyner. (Worthington.) Recent political events culminating in the acquisition of Cyprus by the English, and General Cesnola's discoveries and researches, bringing to light antiquities that have challenged the admiration of all the world, have inspired an interest in Cyprus that seeks to know all that may be known of its past and present. Mr. Franz von Löher furnishes here an account both historical and descriptive. He has but recently travelled all over the island, and gives

very satisfactory and graphic descriptions of the country and its people. He tells us that the climate is delightful, the soil prolific, the landscape in some parts of surpassing beauty, the women pretty, graceful, and attractive. The many classical ruins which are to be found on the island receive from the writer, careful and correct descriptions. Two maps and seventeen illustrations explain and add additional attraction to the text. D., cloth, \$1.75.

LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

THOS. Y. CROWELL has in preparation a cheap, compact edition, in one volume, of Jamieson, Fausset & Brown's "Commentary on the Bible."

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY give notice to the New York city trade that their Order Book bearing dates commencing in July up to this week has been *lost*, and they are requested to deliver no goods except on new Order Book No. 6.

DR. M. L. HOLBROOK, of this city, has in press for immediate publication a work on "Hygiene of the Brain." An interesting feature will be a series of twenty-eight letters from O. B. Frothingham, T. W. Higginson, A. B. Alcott, Dio Lewis, F. B. Perkins, and others, giving their physico-intellectual habits.

LITTLE, BROWN & Co. will publish shortly in their miscellaneous lines the "Addresses and Orations of Rufus Choate," a volume which collects the remarkable speeches of one of the most brilliant American orators and jurists, and a volume of "Personal Reminiscences of R. B. Forbes." They will issue later in the fall "Shelley's Minor Poems" and the ninth edition of Fletcher and Kidder's well-known work on "Brazil and the Brazilians," much augmented and with a new index.

J. CHURCH & Co., Cincinnati and New York, have now ready "The Admiral's Daughter," an operetta in three acts, introducing, in addition to the original music, selections from eight favorite operas, written and adapted by J. H. Wetherell (price \$2.50). They have also just published "Gospel Hymns No. 3," by Sankey, McGranahan and Stebbins, presented as the book for gospel meetings. They will publish this month "The Gospel Male Choir," by Jas. McGranahan, for use in Y. M. C. A. and similar gatherings, alone in its peculiar adaptability. The music in "The Gospel Male Choir" is of course arranged for male voices.

THE book and music store of T. D. Woodruff, Quincy, Ill., was entered during the night of October 2d, and robbed of gold pens, pencils, etc., and opera glasses, to the value of about \$600. The gold-pen stock was mainly of the manufacture of A. W. Faber, with name stamped on holders as well as pens. As these goods have been in the trade only about a year, and sold mainly in the large cities, it is suggested that it would be reasonable to consider any of them that might be offered by any but well known houses as stolen goods, and action taken accordingly. Several similar robberies have taken place in neighboring cities, and it will be well for the trade not only to guard against their being the next victims, but also to be on the look-out for the goods as they may be offered to them, as they probably will be in

due season. Mr. Woodruff hopes to receive the assistance of every one in the trade as opportunity may offer. A liberal reward has been offered for the arrest of the thieves and the recovery of the goods.

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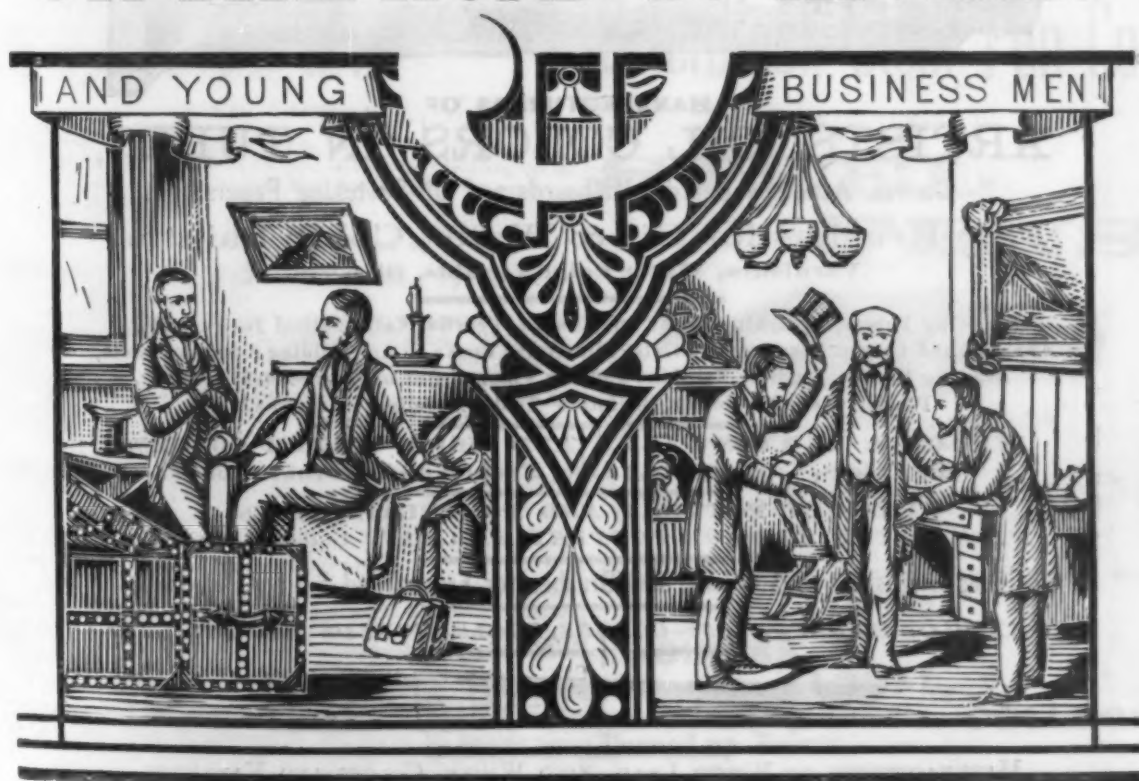
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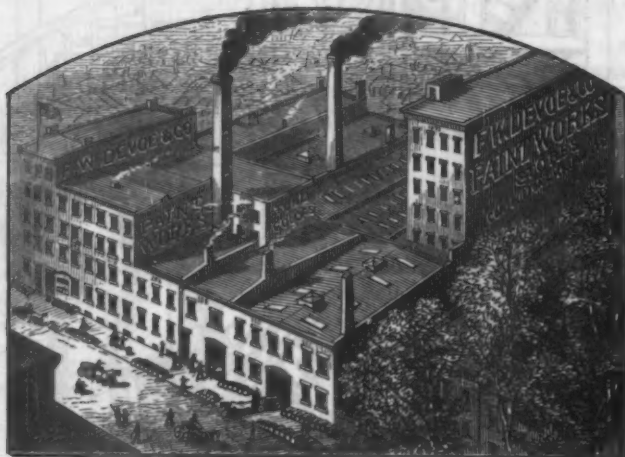


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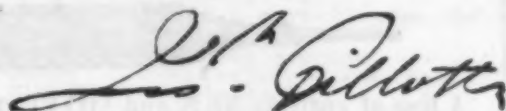
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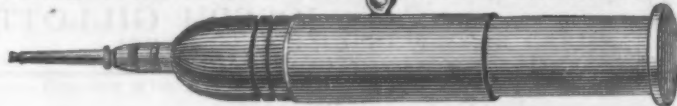
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
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